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The listed items were cited in an Search Report (copy enclosed) issued December 15, 2003 by the European Patent Office in a counterpart European application and which categorizes the references, thus satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance of all non-English references under M.P.E.P. § 609. U.S. Patent No. 4,352,273 cited in the enclosed Search Report is already of record and therefore not listed on Form PTO-1449.

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- To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with this case.
- Enclosed herewith is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1).
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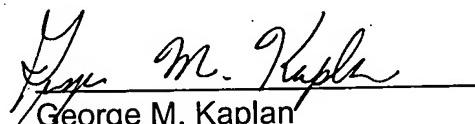

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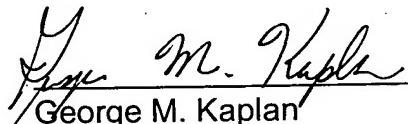
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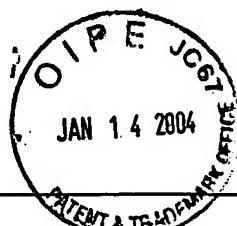
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